

The First Sunday in Lent
February 18, 2024, 10:00 a.m.



THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

The Episcopal Church in Agoura, Oak Park, and Westlake Village

The Rev. Jamie Barnett, Vicar

WELCOME

Visitors: We are delighted you have come to worship with us today! If you are interested in learning more about our church, please fill out the purple information card found in the slot in front of your seat and place it on the collection plate. We are excited to meet you and would love to get to know you! Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the Bishop's Hall directly after the service.

This booklet contains the full order of service. If you are unfamiliar with our rituals and customs, just be present with us in this ancient liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. The bold type indicates where the people are invited to respond or pray.

Restrooms: Proceed through the office door to the right of the church and go straight down the hall and to the left. Both restrooms have baby changing tables.

Assisted listening devices: Available from the ushers in the back of the church.

Children: We welcome children in our worship. Their sounds are a gift from God – no need to subdue them! Our *playground* is located in the side chapel and has quiet activities for parents and younger children to use while still in worship. Children ages 3-11 are welcome to join the atrium for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday School program located in Mitchel Hall. Ask the ushers for directions. Children return to the service for communion.

Contact: Office hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and the sanctuary is open during these hours for private prayer or meditation. To speak with The Rev. Jamie Barnett, please call the office and make an appointment. Her office hours are Tuesday through Thursday.

Communion: By tradition, The Episcopal Church offers Holy Communion to all baptized persons. If you are not baptized, but wish to receive, we invite you to participate fully in the opening part of the service, called the Ministry of the Word, hearing God's word and reflecting on your life, enabling you to come to the table for communion, if you so choose, with a heart prepared to receive. We hope that if you feel touched by the word and sacrament and wish to learn more about the life-giving power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, you will contact The Rev. Jamie Barnett to inquire about participating in Holy Baptism.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PRELUDE

Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kamm

JOHANN PACHELBEL (1653-1706)

“Christ our Lord came to the Jordan in accordance with his father’s will, he received baptism from Saint John, to fulfill his work and ministry.”

Opening lines of *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kamm*

The Word of God

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 142

Lord, who throughout these forty days

ST. FLAVIAN

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God’s mercy endures for ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Presider may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE S 96 *Lord, have mercy upon us (Schubert/Proulx)*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember

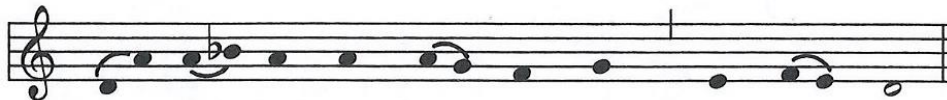
the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.”¹⁷ God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

The congregation remains seated for the singing of
Psalm 25:1-9

At the beginning of the Psalm, the choir sings the Antiphon, which is then repeated by the congregation. All join with the choir in singing the Antiphon where indicated.



Lead me in your truth, O LORD, and teach me.

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long. ***Antiphon.***
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O God.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD;
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. ***Antiphon.***

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

¹⁸Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good

conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand as able.

Hymn 143

The glory of these forty days

ERHALT UNS, HERR

GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Karen James

THE NICENE CREED

All stand as able.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

In the beauty of our worship

In the silence of our hearts

In the seriousness of our work

Show us your ways, O Lord.

As we struggle to live together in peace

As we are tempted by inertia and complacency

As we fail to remember whose we are

Show us your ways, O Lord.

When many suffer while we eat well and sleep peacefully

When many beg to be noticed while we seek solitude

When many long for shelter from the storm

Show us your ways, O Lord.

Walk with us as we welcome little ones into the world, especially Leighton and Evan

Walk with us as we care for those who ache; we pray especially for those on our parish prayer list:

the Abbott family, Angela, Anna and the Justiano family, Dani, Egan, Irene, Joanne, and Winnie and the

Luppert family; we pray also for those who have asked for our prayers, but who prefer to remain anonymous, and for those on our long-term prayer list.

Walk with us as we journey with those returning to you, especially Carol and Kylie.

Show us your ways, O Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Presider stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Call to Remembrance

(sung by the Parish Choir)

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy lovingkindness
Which hath been ever of old.
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
But according to thy mercy think thou on me,
For thy goodness.

TEXT: PSALM 25: 5-6
MUSIC: RICHARD FARRANT (C. 1525-1580)

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 149

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

OLD 124TH

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS S 129 Holy, holy, holy (Powell)

Presider and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The Presider continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
*We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, in the language of our hearts,

People and Presider

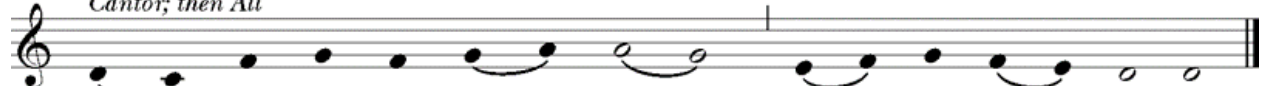
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día,
Perdona nuestras ofensas
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en la tentación,
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

The Breaking of the Bread


FRACTION ANTHEM

Antiphon
Cantor; then All




Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for ev - er.

Cantor

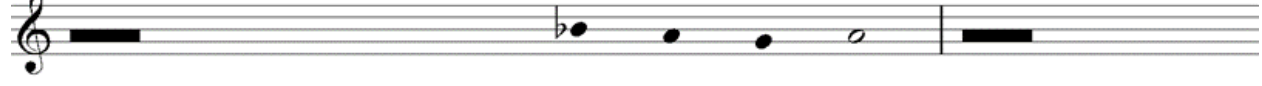


1. This is the true bread which comes down from hea - ven


Cantor



and gives life to the world. [Ant.] 2. Who - ev - er



believes in me shall not hun - ger or thirst, for the bread



which I give for the life of the world is my flesh. [Ant.]

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have gotten lost. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

All who seek God and desire a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. During the distribution of Communion, we welcome you to receive the sacrament or a prayer of blessing. When you come to the altar rail, you may either stand or kneel.

If you desire to receive the sacrament, please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Once you have received it, you may keep it there and the chalice bearer will take it, dip it in the wine and return it to you. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the wafer and then you may place your hands on the base of the chalice and the chalice bearer will say the words of administration. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please tell the presider.

If you desire to receive a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest at the altar rail.

COMMUNION MUSIC

All are invited to sing



God is for - give - ness. Dare to for - give and
God will be with you. God is for - give - ness.
Love, and do not fear.

After Communion, the Presider says
Let us pray.

Presider and People

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 150

Forty days and forty nights

AUS DER TIEFE RUFTE ICH

DISMISSAL

Presider

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Erhalt uns Herr, bei deinem Wort

JOHANN PACHELBEL (1653-1706)

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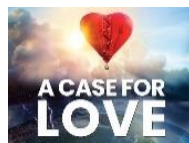
THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

2/18	9:45 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Children in the Atrium
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	11:30 a.m.	Epiphany Youth Group
	7:00 p.m.	Compline
2/19	7:00 p.m.	EfM meeting
2/21	5:00 p.m.	Bishop's Committee meeting
	6:30 p.m.	A Case for Love Lenten Series
	7:00 p.m.	Lectio Divina
2/22	11:00 a.m.	Climate + Change (zoom)
	6:30 p.m.	Schola Rehearsal
	7:45 p.m.	Parish Choir Rehearsal
2/25	10:00 a.m.	Children in church
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

TODAY
7:00 p.m.



OUR LENTEN SERIES



For Lent this year we are suggesting that rather than give something up, we take something on. Our Lenten series will be based on the movie *A Case for Love*, which several of us have seen, using resources sent by the Diocese. The producers have provided a journal that you can link to through our *Connections Newsletter* or www.tcote.org. A few hard copies will be available at church. You are invited to observe and note, not only what unselfish acts of love you do, but what you see around you, and the effects of unselfish love on yourself and others.

It is not necessary to have seen the movie. It is not necessary to even do the journal. Come for fellowship and faithful learning.

Meetings are **6:30 -7:30 p.m.in Ascension Chapel February 21 - March 20**. A special treat: from February 28 - March 13, there will be soup and salad in the Founder's Room from 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE JOIN US

Please join members of the Epiphany Interfaith Ministry **Monday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m.** to hear directly from Muslim, Jewish and Christian orthodox scholars and leaders and their thoughtful perspective and message of peace to our local faith communities.

In a world marred by divisive discourse, polarization, and escalating international tensions, the message delivered by this delegation resonates far beyond the slopes of the Galilee region.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH



"Black history in the United States is a rich and varied chronicle of slavery and liberty, oppression and progress, segregation and achievement. Though captive and free Africans were likely present in

the Americas by the 1400s, the kidnapped men, women and children from Africa who were sold first to European colonists in 1619, and later to American citizens, became symbolic of the early years of Black history in the United States. The fate of enslaved people in the United States divided the nation during the Civil War. And after the war, the racist legacy of slavery persisted, spurring movements of resistance, including the Underground Railroad, the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the Selma to Montgomery March, and, later, the Black Lives Matter movement. Through it all, Black leaders, artists and writers have emerged to shape the character and identity of a nation."

Read more and watch several short videos. For your education and edification: [Black History Milestones - history.com](https://www.blackhistorymilestones.com) or go to www.tcote.org/adult-formation/

CREATION CARE AND LENT

Climate & Faith

Thursdays
11am
Online Only

Hosted by
The Bishop's Commission on Climate
Change - Education Committee

Please join the Bishop's Commission on Climate Change Education Subcommittee for a very special "Love and Act" Lenten Study of reading, reflection, prayer, and

practice using the SALT Project offering, Climate + Faith.

Designed as a devotional, we'll make our way through this short 40-page booklet that includes weekly reflections, suggested activities/spiritual practices, and links to videos and enrichment resources. This offering will be led by the Rev. Josh Paget, St. Cross Episcopal Church in Hermosa Beach, assisted by Education Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Kate Varley Alonso and Paula Walker.

The Climate + Faith Lenten Study will be held on Zoom starting on **Thursday, February 22 at 11:00 a.m. and continue each Thursday in Lent** (2/29, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21). To learn how to register and to get the book see our *Connections Newsletter* or go to www.tcote.org

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Bishop's Committee meeting is **Wednesday, February 21, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Founders Hall and open to all. If you have an issue to be brought forward, please inform Rev. Jamie Barnett or the Bishop's Warden, Susan Halligan, prior to the meeting.

WELCOME KITS FOR REFUGEES

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR REFUGEE FAMILIES



The Epiphany Interfaith Ministry is inviting

everyone of all ages to participate in collecting new items or gift cards for Welcome Kits for Refugees from **February 11 - March 8**. See the flyer in our *Connections Newsletter* for details and a link to the WIN Sign Up Genius to participate. Collection bins will also be available at church. Questions? Contact Aggie at 805-807-5001 or aggiew53@gmail.com.



The Conejo Valley Interfaith Refugee Team invites you to learn about helping

local refugee families on **Sunday, March 3, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** at a potluck dessert reception. RSVP required. See details in our *Connections Newsletter* or at www.tcote.org/

MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION

For more information on these and other ministries, please visit www.tcote.org



Want to help on Sundays during the service? If you are interested in being an **usher, reader, or LEM**, please contact the church at info@tcote.org



Members of the **Altar Guild** prepare all that is necessary for the celebration of all of the sacraments of the church. Contact: Leigh Wallace

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Each week, talented and creative team members of the **Epiphany Flower Guild** purchase and arrange our altar flowers. No experience necessary; on-the-job training provided! Contact: Carrie Wilcox

(703) 508-2628



Do you like to entertain? The **Holy Hosts** are looking for people who are interested in cooking, serving, or helping to supply food for church events. If you are interested in participating, please contact Karen Listick by texting (preferable) or calling at 818-519-1763 or via e-mail at karen@listick.com.



The **Music Ministry** at The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all.

You may join the choir at any time. Contact: Jay jwilcox@tcote.org



Coffee hour is a tradition of hospitality and fellowship, a time to catch up with friends and acquaint yourself with new people of the congregation. Interested in being a

Coffee Host? Contact: info@tcote.org



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

program is highly child-centered and allows children to enter into a relationship with God in their own ways, and in their own time. All

children are welcome. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



At Epiphany, we embrace and appreciate the capacity and insight of our teen parishioners. **EYG** is a safe, encouraging space for spiritual

exploration and asking important questions. We meet *every Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.* Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



Meeting at noon for one hour on *Wednesdays*, **Feeding the Spirit** Bible study is focused on upcoming lessons for the week and the themes found within. Upcoming readings

will be found in our *Connections* newsletter or www.lectionarypage.net **ON HIATUS DURING LENT**



The Lunch Bunch prepares and delivers 70-80 brown bag lunches to Harbor House once a month for low income and homeless families and individuals. Join us! Contact: Yvonne

Lux yvonnelix@gmail.com



The **Women's Interfaith Network (WIN)** has many opportunities to serve those in need in our community. Please check their page at www.tcote.org. Contact: Aggie

Winston (805) 807-5001.



Creation Care at The Church of the Epiphany is about helping each other to grow in care for God's Creation.

Seasonal Sacred Hikes help to create a personal bond and connection. Contact: Mari Mendenhall mmidsgn@sbcglobal.net



Deepen your faith while discussing the Bible, church history, and practical theology. **Education for Ministry (EfM)** meets *Monday nights from September to June*, enrollment for 2024 begins in July.

Contact: Elizabeth at E.Vana.Bryant@gmail.com



Lectio Divina is a practice of scriptural reading, meditation, and prayer opening to a deeper communion with God. We meet via Zoom *every Wednesday at 7:00*

p.m. Link at www.tcote.org/lectio-divina/ or contact: Barry Burns burnscreative@gmail.com.



A grief shared meets *on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension*

Chapel. Wherever and however you are experiencing grief, we invite you to

come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



PFLAG's vision is to create a world where difference is celebrated, and all people are valued inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. We meet on the *second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.* Contact:

info@tcote.org



Laundry Love is a nationwide program that assists low-income families and individuals in doing their laundry. We meet on *the last Tuesday of each month*

from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Contact: Karen James

kjames@tcote.org



The **Pastoral Care Team** cares for parishioners who may be sick, recovering from surgery, or experiencing other life changes. We

make phone calls, visit hospitals and homes, and help with their unmet needs, such as providing an occasional meal following surgery or illness. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, contact Sharon

Schneider: sschneider@tcote.org



OWLS (Older Wiser Laity) strives to create community and fellowship opportunities among the more senior members of our church and the greater

area, *meeting on the second Thursday of the month at noon* for lunch and enriching programs from October - May. Contact Michelle Ponticelli:

mponticelli@tcote.org



Red Door Vineyard's vision is to be a source of congregational growth, strength, and spirituality as we share in the journey of crafting wine in God's

name. In addition to ongoing vineyard activities, we gather monthly for Monday Night Fellowship and Friday Evening Happy Hour and arrange a variety of social and cultural experiences. Contact: Stacey Stephens reddoorvineyard@tcote.org



The **Epiphany Music Guild** furthers the church's outreach mission to the community by providing a regular series of musical and other artistic

events, enriching people's lives, and giving them opportunities to encounter beauty in a sacred space. Contact: Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org or www.tcote.org/music/

Are you in our Parish Directory? Have you checked your information lately? Please contact info@tcote.org for any new listing or correction necessary. You can access the directory at www.tcote.org.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Anna and the Justiniano family, Dani, Winnie and the Luppert family, Joanne

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Boyd, Kay, Neil, Sarah, Tom, Donna, , Judith, Kathy Steve, Joe, Amanda, Tabitha, Judie, Steve, Paul, Glenn and family, Madden, Norma, Hailey, Baby Noah, Benny, Carole, John, Holly, Robyn, Bishop Michael Curry, Steve, Jane, Norma, Pat, Anne, Curt, Francisco, Susan K., Egan

To add yourself, family, or friends to the prayer list, please fill out a prayer card or submit your prayer request online at www.tcote.org/prayer-request/.

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Mission

We seek to ensure that all who enter our doors know that they are loved, welcomed, and celebrated unconditionally, that we serve the world with gratitude, humility, and courage, and that we continue to grow in faith, recognizing reason and exploring the profound mystery that is God's creation.

Vision

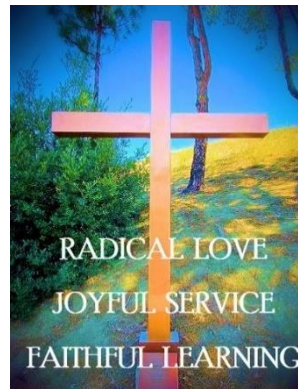
To live and love as true followers of Jesus, not just fans.

Core Values

RADICAL LOVE

JOYFUL SERVICE

FAITHFUL LEARNING



Core Values guide us in carrying out our mission and realizing our vision. By their nature, core values are touchstones for prayer, discernment, ongoing conversation, and action. We seek a deep understanding and ongoing engagement with Epiphany's Core Values.

Over the years, we will continue reflecting on what they mean in their application; how they challenge and inform decisions and actions in Epiphany's ministries, and how they help our ministries be aligned with our mission and vision.

To access the bulletin from either your tablet or your cell phone, please scan the QR code:

